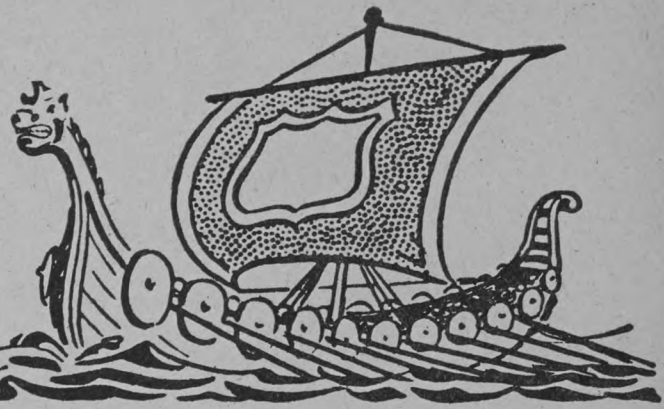




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CENTRE ENLARGING FLIGHT PROGRAM

PREMIER'S DAUGHTER HOLDS WEDDING RECEPTION AT CENTRE

The daughter and son of Premier and Mrs. Harry E. Strom are being married a week apart.

Beverly Ruth Strom, 27, married Kenneth Ross Bygrave of Calgary in a ceremony Friday, Aug. 28, held at 7 p.m. in McLaurin Memorial Baptist Church, 111th St. and 51st Ave. A reception followed in the Scandinavian Centre, 14220 - 125 Ave.

Miss Strom is with the public health department of the city of Calgary. She received her nursing training at the Royal Alexandra hospital, graduating in 1965, and went on to receive her bachelor of science degree in nursing earlier this year.

Kenneth Bygrave, 27, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Bygrave of Ex-

eter, Ont., is a geologist with Texaco Canada Ltd., Calgary.

On Friday, Sept. 4, Ronald James Strom, 19 will wed Patricia Ellen Keats, 19, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Keats of Pigeon Lake, Alta.

Miss Keats, a receptionist at the Debtor's Assistance Board, will soon become secretary to the athletic director, department of physical education, U. of A.

Ronald Strom is employed at Woodward's Southgate Shopping Centre, Edmonton. Their wedding will take place at 7 p.m. in the Evangelical Free Church, 118th St. and 73rd Ave., with a reception to follow in the House of Hanratty, 14250 - 85th Ave.

Premier Strom is of Swedish ancestry.



ESKO SALO
Flight Director

ALL SCANDINAVIANS WILL BENEFIT - SAYS FLIGHT DIRECTOR

The Scandinavian Centre is going all out to give the best service by air from Edmonton to the Scandinavian countries. This service will benefit all Scandinavians whether or not they are members of the Scandinavian Centre in Edmonton.

The Christmas Flight Program was announced in the last issue of The Scandinavian Centre News, and now Flight Director Esko Salo has announced the 1971 Charter Flight Program. There are three additional flights which leave between May and August, 1971.

Charter Flight No. 35 from Edmonton to Copenhagen, Denmark, leaves May 28 and returns July 13, 1971. All those who want to stay for six weeks will enjoy this flight.

Flight No. 36 is to Stockholm, Sweden, leaving June 10, returning July 8, 1971. This is a shorter trip for those not wishing to be away too long.

Flight No. 37 will be going to Oslo, Norway, July 14 to August 10, 1971. Note the difference in prices in the add.

Flights No. 33 and 34, the Christmas Flights, going to Copenhagen, Denmark, and Oslo, Norway, were announced in the last paper and a great interest has been taken in them. Those planning to take one of these flights should apply quickly as these are not charter flights but group flights with limited seats. Don't miss going to Scandinavia for Christmas because you were too late applying, says Esko Salo. Those going on these flights will be flying in a DC8 aircraft with the Scandinavian Airlines System (SAS).

Flight No. 35 to Copenhagen will be chartered from Wardair in Edmonton and is a Boeing 707 aircraft with seating capacity of 183.

Flight No. 36 to Stockholm will be an Air Canada DC8 aircraft. Flight 37 is also an Air Canada DC8.

Flight Director Salo also has announced the organization of the Scandinavian Centre Travel Department. The function of this department is to serve the members of the Centre in securing their travel needs whether on a group or individual basis, other than those flights directly organized by the Centre. It is worthwhile to note that individual reservations will be at the normal going rates applied by the airlines and NO extra charges are involved.

It is hoped that all members of the Centre will use the facility of the travel department, in view of the interest and benefits the Centre will derive from it. The travel department offers personalized service for your needs.

A special phone is even being installed by the Marlin Travel Serv-

ice who are handling these reservations. That special number is 429-0891. Use it. All Scandinavians will be given special attention and privileges. This is the Scandinavian Desk - ask for Maurice Saad. If he is not available, however, any other person will serve you on this number.

Maurice J. Saad, Manager of Marlin Travel Service, was at one time stationed in Jerusalem, Jordan, as manager of Scandinavian Airlines System (SAS). Also at that time he was Honorary Icelandic Consul which he still retains. Mr. Saad will also be writing a column in The Scandinavian Centre News titled "Know Scandinavia Better".

Flight Director Esko Salo has also appointed Leslie Morris to look after all enquiries for the Scandinavian Centre. Direct all reservation forms to him in care of the Scandinavian Centre.

In order to take advantage of the special prices of the Scandinavian Centre flights it is necessary to be a member of the Centre six months prior to departure of the flight. Anyone wishing to take advantage of the 1971 flights who has not a membership contact Helge Ahlefeldt at the Centre. Memberships are \$50 per person, but anyone in the same family living in the same residence may use it to get a flight ticket.

Those contacting the Scandinavian Centre Travel Department concerning any flight other than a charter flight do not necessarily have to have a membership, but Esko Salo urges you do so anyway in case you want to take a Scandinavian Centre charter flight later.

In supplying this service, the Scandinavian Centre hopes to be able to serve all Scandinavians wherever they may be.

Swedish Ombudsman

The Swedish government has appointed an ombudsman to handle complaints of false or misleading advertising and to press charges if warranted. He is lawyer Sven Heurgren, aged 40.

SONS OF NORWAY ORGANIZE IN CAMROSE

Memberships are now being taken in the Camrose area with the object of organizing a Sons of Norway Lodge to serve the Camrose community.

The Lodge will add a new dimension to the social life of the community. It will assist those of Norwegian birth, descent, or affiliation, to make a greater contribution of the Norwegian heritage to the social and cultural life of the Camrose community. In this way people of all races will be able to enjoy some of the food, the art (rosmaling), the music and song, the folk-dancing - in short, the culture of Norway.

Mr. (Sig) S. A. Sorenson, regional manager for Alberta, reports much interest in this exciting new venture - a Sons of Norway Lodge for Camrose. He is now in receipt of over 150 applications for membership.

Mr. Sorenson became a member of Terje Viken Lodge, Sons of Norway, while teaching at Lake Demay School in 1937. He has been a member continuously since that time.

He served his home lodge, Solglyt No. 143, Edmonton, for four years as its president, then became District President from 1958 to 1962. He received his appointment as Regional Manager for Alberta July 1, 1969.



SIG. SORENSON

He organized and instituted the "Northern Lights" Lodge in Grande Prairie, on October 25, 1969, with over 200 members.

The Camrose Lodge will be the fifth one in Alberta; the others being Hamar Lodge in Claresholm, Valhalla in Calgary, Northern Lights Lodge in Grande Prairie, and the Solglyt Lodge in Edmonton.

Finnish - Soviet Treaty

Finland has extended its friendship treaty with the Soviet Union for another 20 years, although the old treaty was not due to expire for five years. The first friendship treaty was signed in 1948. It was renewed in 1955, three years before it expired, for a 20-year period ending in 1975.

NORWAY AND SWEDEN SEND TRACK AND FIELD TEAMS TO EDMONTON

Norway and Sweden are coming to Edmonton in the form of their International Track and Field teams. They are being sponsored by the Canadian Track and Field Association. It is a reciprocal visit as the Canadian teams visited Scandinavia in 1968.

Sixty athletes, 15 officials and 22 spectators from each country will be coming to put on competitions across Canada.

Arriving in Toronto by charter aircraft in September they will put on a demonstration for two days. They then go to Winnipeg where Norway will compete against Canada.

They will arrive in Edmonton by CNR on Monday, Sept. 14, at 2:25 p.m. where there will be an official reception. They are being hosted in Edmonton by the Alberta and Edmonton Track and Field Associations, the City of Edmonton Parks and Recreation Department and the Scandinavian Centre. Dick Wennerstrom is organizer for the ethnic groups and liaison between the different organizations.

An official opening ceremony will take place at the University Athletic Grounds at 4:30 p.m. following their arrival. Government and civic officials as well as consulates and interested persons will be in attendance.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 15 and 16, there will be a competition between the Swedish and Canadian teams starting at 5 p.m. at the University Athletic Grounds.

While in Edmonton they will be staying at the Holiday Inn.

From Edmonton they go to Victoria, B.C., where all teams will demonstrate.

SPLINTERS from the BOARD

BY GUNNAR THORVALDSON

Gary Johnson will give the report on CFCW every Saturday morning on the "Scandinavian Show" for the month of September. If you have something of interest for the broadcast give him a call at 439-3808. The program begins at 10:30 a.m. with the Scandinavian Centre Report at approximately 11:25, CFCW is 790 kc. on your AM dial.

Esko Salo will give the report in October.



GARY JOHNSON
Radio Reporter

CHARTER FLIGHTS —

Several people have booked seats on the Christmas Flights. Judging from the enquiries to date these flights will be filled early.

We now have our own flight bags; they are available from the Centre for \$3.00 each.

FALL DANCE —

Our fall dance will be held on the 26th of September. Get a group together and join in the fun. Tickets are available at the Centre and from all directors.

SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE NEWS —

Our new editor, Les Morris, will take over as business manager of the paper on Sept. 1st. Mrs. Vera Nielsen has acquainted him with the business and advertizing procedures and this will complete our plan to have all operations emanate from the Centre. Prior to this, several different addresses were used in conjunction with flights and the newspaper.

Our deficit continues to mount and it was necessary at the last board meeting to give the Scandinavian Centre News another \$1,000.00 subsidy. This makes \$2,000.00 so far for 1970. In next months issue we will appeal to all people who have not made a donation in the last two years to do so.

Effective with this issue our postage will be paid in cash. This will save Mr. Morris a few hours — sticking stamps on 2200 papers was no small task.

A meeting has been arranged for all people who are interested in the Scandinavian Centre News. It will be held in the Centre at 8 p.m., September 15th. Please endeavour to attend.



PAAL KARVONEN, VERA NIELSEN, INGE ANDERSON

VERA NIELSEN —

Mrs. Vera Nielsen has been the Business Manager of this little newspaper for as far back as I can remember. She has done an outstanding job and with very little remuneration. Vera is a hardworking woman and in addition to her many contributions for other organizations she is the correspondent for the Danish Society. Along with her news, she submits other newsworthy items and often contributes the poem that is used and they fit in with an occasion of the month like Fathers' Day or Mothers' Day.

On behalf of the Board I would like to extend a hearty vote of thanks to Vera for a job well done.

COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS FOR SWEDEN

Sweden has announced 22 commemorative stamps for the remainder of 1970, featuring world tolerance, Swedish castles, trade and industry, bird stamps for Christmas and Nobel winners.

In connection with this announcement, the Swedish post office calls attention to Information PFA, a little bulletin, publication of which was initiated in June 1969. It may

be had free upon application by stamp collectors and will provide notices about all new issues.

It is proposed to publish it 10 to 15 times a year. It will show new issues in color. Apply to the Philately Section, PFA, Fack, S-101, 10, Stockholm, Sweden.

A. W. McIntyre,
Edmonton Journal
Stamp Editor.

THE EDITOR SAYS . .

Gardening is a peculiar sort of pastime — peculiar, that is, if you don't know too much about it and especially if you don't have sufficient time to indulge in it.

You take my garden for instance. Each spring I dutifully get a professional man to roto-till it for me. My wife and I get together and plant the seeds on the May 24th holiday (which, incidentally, came on the 18th this year). We water it and nurse it along until the middle of June. There are a few small weeds which I dig out just before leaving on two weeks holiday around the 15th.

Naturally when we get back, the weeds have taken over and from then on it's a losing battle. I try to get them out myself because my wife breaks a lot of them off instead of getting them out by the roots. Last year she pulled a large bunch and left them in a pile in the middle of the garden. This year we have a weed forest there. So I try to do them myself.

We have an exceedingly tall batch of weeds, some of which are dill. When I saw a bunch of these bundled up at the local grocery store for sale I nearly asked the manager if he would like to get mine for nothing, but my wife shushed me up saying I was grumbling too loudly and pushed me on.

These weeds got the best of me, however, so I had to let my wife help me pull them. I have a pile of weeds on the side of the garden this year; and as soon as she pulled them from around the peas, they all fell down flat on the ground. Before that they were standing up great.

I also don't have to cover up my cauliflower heads with their leaves to keep them white because there are so many tall weeds around them the sun couldn't possibly penetrate through. Actually, I think I'm wasting my time and energy pulling those weeds, for they seem to do more good than harm. Any way, if anyone should ask what I'm growing, I can just tell them dill plants for the local grocer.

There are two items on sale at the Scandinavian Centre which will interest some readers.

One of them is an LP record put out by London Records. It's Olaf

Sveen's recording titled "Salute to Scandinavia". On the front cover is a colored picture of four beautiful young Scandinavian girls of Edmonton standing in front of the Scandinavian Centre. On the back is a picture of Olaf Sveen and his famous accordion standing between Mr. Sigurd Sorenson, Honorary President of the Scandinavian Centre, and Mrs. Sorenson, correspondent for the Sons of Norway "Solglyt" to The Scandinavian Centre News. There are five numbers on each side. Price \$2.49.

The other is a flight bag. This is a special flight bag. It has printed on it: "Scandinavian Centre, Edmonton, Canada", as well as the crest of the Viking ship. These will be dandy if you plan to take one of the Scandinavian Centre flights. Price \$3.00.

These items may be purchased at the Scandinavian Centre office from Mrs. Edna Smith, Manageress of the Centre.

A correction is needed concerning the Christmas flights. It was mentioned in the front page article that the flights would go directly to Copenhagen from Edmonton. This is not true. The flights leaving on December 12 and 14 will go from Edmonton to Montreal, then to Copenhagen. On the return flight they will also stop off at Montreal before coming to Edmonton. Editor's error.

The art of good publicity and how to get it is admirably explained in a booklet distributed by Ron Fallwell of the Occidental Life Insurance Company of 10350 - 124 St., Edmonton. It's titled "So, You have Been Elected Publicity Chairman" with a subtitle "Or, How To Make Friends With The Editor". It's a handy book to read if you want to send something to the paper for publication. We recommend it to you if you want something published in The Scandinavian Centre News. Perhaps it will also encourage (which we also recommend) some of you budding writers to send some items to the editor. There is only one thing — if you want to get this booklet, Mr. Fallwell can only give it to those who go to his office personally to pick it up. No mail requests, please.

WEDDING BELLS

BY LILLIAN MacPHERSON

LEA - STEPHANSSON

Two candles and a dove with the words "The two shall be one" adorned the front of the printed program which was given to each guest at the marriage of Carol Anne Stephansson and Lorne Dobson Lea. The ceremony was held at the Metropolitan United Church in Edmonton on Aug. 14, 1970.

The Rev. J. Malcolm Profit officiated, and Robert Pounder was the organist. Carol Anne entered on her father's arm to the music of the Processional Hymn wearing a dress of ivory fortrel voile, and carrying talisman roses with daisies. She was attended by Miss Beth Richards, maid of honor, and Miss Elizabeth Lea and Miss Karen Rae Stephansson, who wore dresses of yellow floral design on white and had halos of daisies in their hair. They carried sweetheart bouquets.

The groom's best men were Mr. John Lea and Mr. Eric Stehannson. Ushers were Ross Stephansson, Grant Stephansson, Ross Lea and Gordon Lea. Soloist was Miss Heather Sills.

After the ceremony, which was unique in that it was planned by the two major participants, an outdoor garden party was held for the guests. The United Church

women provided the lunch. Mr. Oberholtzer proposed the toast to the bride.

Many out of town guests attended the wedding, including Mrs. Thru-da Laxdal and Mrs. Florence Robbins of Saskatoon, Kathleen and Stephan Stephansson and their daughter of Melfort, the Bagwoodes, and relatives from Ontario.

Long Bicycle Ride

Reinert Lie, 76, of Stavanger, Norway, said he would mount his 42-year-old bicycle and pedal 1,800 miles to Casablanca, Morocco, to find the grave of his brother, who was killed in the Second World War.

DEATHS

F. Gustav Moeller, 86, who as minister of social welfare from 1932 to 1951, was one of the developers of Sweden's welfare state.

Gerhard Nielsen, 28, Denmark's national cycling champion in the 100-kilometres team road race who collapsed in a race and was later pronounced dead of an "acute heart attack". Mr. Nielsen was from Svendborg, Denmark.

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VASA LODGE SKANDIA



BY JOAN PETERSSON

Saturday, Aug. 1, was the evening Lodge Skandia held their monthly meeting. Chairman Lenart Petersson called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. in the clubhouse at Vasa Club.

Visitors to the meeting included Grand Lodge Representative Bert Johnson and his wife, from Calgary. From Winnipeg, District Master for Central Canada Bill Swanson and his wife, Margaret; Swedish Consul for Manitoba Ed Carlson and his wife, Beda; Con and Margaret Halvorson; and Eric and Eileen Roos.

The Charter was draped in black, and a minute of silence declared in memory of Brother Per Hougland, and Sister Minnie Nelson, both of whom passed away in July.

Members reported sick included Roy Samuelson, John Jarret, Gust Lundgren, Anna Dodds and Evelyn Modin.

The Klondike Dance held July 4 was a success, thanks to Bill and Martha Kay. Delicious pancakes were served at midnight by Hansine and Erik Pierre.

There is still one cabin for sale at Vasa Club — Helge Erickson's, in the third row.

The new Sports Committee is made up of volunteers Emil and Millie Weiss, and Clarence and Joan Knutson.

Grand Lodge Representative Bert Johnson extended greetings from the Grand Lodge, and from Grand Master Bertil Winnquist. He spoke about the convention, and displayed the new flag of the Vasa Order before presenting Carol Brandle with the Lodge Omaha Gunner Johnson Award.

A good crowd was present for the Ham Bake held before the meeting. Many thanks to Eric and Margaret Engvall and their family for a most delicious supper.

My personal thanks to Martha Kay for the excellent job she did in writing up items for the July and August papers.

Before Clifford and Paula Lindberg hosted the dance for the evening, coffee and lunch was served by Vi Watson and Winnie Pearson.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, Sept. 5 —

5:00 p.m. — Pot Luck Supper hosted by Magnus and Betty Pearson in the Clubhouse at Vasa Club.

7:30 p.m. — Regular monthly meeting of Vasa Lodge Skandia will be held in the Clubhouse of Vasa Club.

9:00 p.m. — A Whist Drive! It's been over a year since we have had an evening of cards, so, come on out and try your luck.

Monday, Sept. ????

1:30 p.m. — The first meeting for the fall season of the Ladies Auxiliary will be held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. Sund, 12319 St. Albert Road.

Saturday, Oct. 3 —

7:00 p.m. — Regular monthly meeting of Vasa Lodge Skandia will be held in the Nordic Room of the Scandinavian Centre. New members will be accepted at this time.

9:00 p.m. — An old time Dance and Costume Party will be hosted by Emil and Millie Weiss. Now is the time to dress up as that secret person you have always wished to be.

Saturday, Oct. 17 —

Annual Smorgasbord at the Masonic Temple. More information

about this in the next paper. Watch for it!

Sunday, Oct. 18 —

1:30 p.m. — Greeting Curlers! Curling will begin on or about this date, at the Edmonton Avenue Curling Club (formerly the Menorah) at 10607 Princess Elizabeth Ave. The price is the same as last year, \$30.00 per person for the season. If you are interested please phone Joyce Hawkes 488-8774 or Cliff Lindberg 699-3253 BEFORE Oct. 7.

VASA GLIMPSES

Harold and Lulu Lundgren, with daughter Lisa, were in Edmonton recently for holidays. While they were here Lulu, her mother, Svea Erickson, and sister, Martha Kay, and an old friend, Ida McMillan, were together for a visit over a cup of coffee, an event which hasn't taken place for over seventeen years.

St. Basil's Ukrainian Ladies Cultural Convenor sent Florence Erickson a picture of herself and the other tea pourers in thanks for participating in their International Dress Tea. Esther represented Sweden in this event last April.

Alice and Nils Sorenson had visitors from Denmark holidaying with them.

A shower was held in the clubhouse at Vasa Club on Sunday, Aug. 2, in honor of Valerie Larson, the wedding to take place Aug. 15.

Ottar and Anna Sund are off on a second honeymoon to Vancouver, Victoria and the Okanagan. On the way they will visit Anna's brother, Mr. Axel Dahlgren, in Vancouver.

A surprise birthday party was held at Alma Samuelson's cabin at the Lake in honor of Carl Samuelson's 84 birthday.

The death on July 16, 1970, of Minnie Evelyn Nelson saddened all Scandia members. Mrs. Nelson was born Sept. 29, 1895, in Clarkfield, Minn. She and her late husband, Arvard, were instrumental in the forming of Lodge Skandia in 1929. She was a very active member of the Lodge, and of the Ladies Auxiliary until illness made it impossible for her to continue. Mrs. Nelson is survived by one son, Albin Raymond, in Lloydminster, and one daughter, Vera Hyde, of Edmonton, and their families. Sincere sympathy is extended to them.

Sincere sympathy is also extended to the Eliasson family in the passing of Anna Eliasson of Lacombe.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Pearson on their marriage July 18 at Robertson United Church. The Pearson's will make their home in Edmonton.

Magnus and Betty Pearson had Magnus' two sisters, Helen Riley from Kamloops, and Mrs. Nils Robley from Lacombe, visiting with them.

Brian Johnson has returned from a six weeks tour of European countries. While away he was able to enjoy the countryside more because he was delivering cars for a Rental Agency. Some of the countries that Brian and his chums travelled

through were France, Spain, Denmark, Finland, Great Britain, Germany and Switzerland.

Did you see the lady who did 30 pushups at Herman Nelson's birthday party? The cake was really good, too.

Don and Evelyn Johnson hosted the 28th Annual Clear Lake (Manitoba) Duffers Golf Tournament. The matches were held at the Highlands Golf Club and the Edmonton Country Club. Eric Roos won the Duffers Trophy for low net, Jim Johnson received the Ladies Auxiliary Tray for low gross, and Kay Dickens captured the Swedish Consulate Trophy for low gross. Those members that travelled by air were met at the airport by a Klondike-clad Reception Committee. Saturday evening the members toured Vasa Park where they joined fellow Vasa members for a Hambake and later some dancing at the Clubhouse. On Sunday after the business meeting, the evening was climaxed with a steak-out at the Johnson home. Among those attending the weekend affair were members from Winnipeg: Swedish Consul Ed Carlson and Beda, Norwegian Consul John Landro, District Master W.S. Swanson and Margaret, Eric Ross and Eileen, Per Thorson and Gita, Con Halvorson and Margaret and Alf Wildeman; Jim Johnson, Cliff and Kay Dickenson of Edmonton.

In the bedroom of one of the residents at Vasa Park there are two hard hats but no one has found out what they are for.

CAROL WINS FIRST



Carol Brandle, Bert Johnson

A first for one of Vasa Lodge Skandia's members! Carol Brandle has been awarded the Lodge Omaha Gunner Johnson Award. This is the first time that the \$300.00 scholarship has been presented. Grand Lodge Representative Bert Johnson presented Carol with a cheque and a certificate after the meeting on Aug. 1.

Carol, the daughter of Ottar and Anna Sund, took her grade ten and eleven at Ross Sheppard High School, dropping out to marry Ron Brandle in 1961. They have two children, Donna and Connie. This year, Carol went back to school through correspondence and finished her grade twelve. She has been a Vasa member for many years, coming into the Lodge from Children's Club. As well, Carol was a member of the Dance Team for a number of years, and co-leader of Children's Club. It was her enthusiasm for Children's Club that won her the scholarship, as this was the theme of her winning essay. The scholarship will be put to good use as Carol will be starting a two-year course in Social Service at the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology. Congratulations and best wishes to you, Carol.

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All those interested in The Scandinavian Centre News attend meeting at Centre SEPTEMBER 15 at 8:00 p.m. Everyone Welcome.

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Sunday, Sept. 20th, 11 a.m. Danish Service

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ICELANDIC NEWSLETTER

BY LILLIAN MacPHERSON

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HARDFISH: Gunnar Thorvaldson is now the distributor of hardfish for Alberta. If you wish to have some of this wonderful delicacy from Iceland, contact him at 6012 - 101A Ave., phone 466-1570.

MANITOBA CENTENNIAL GREY CUP DERBY: Steini Jonsson is selling tickets for this Grey Cup derby. The first prize is \$70,000, 2nd prize \$27,000 and 3rd prize \$13,000. There will be two early-bird draws, and nine prizes altogether.

William Valgardson and family spent some time with Earl and Pearl Valgardson on their way back to Gimli from the coast. From Gimli he was leaving for a teaching position in the U.S.

Arlene Valgardson visited friends in Kelowna for 10 days.

Gladys and Doug Wirth from Winnipeg were here for the Can Am races. They took in the Klondike Days festivities including the Scandinavian Centre dance. They were visiting with the Thorvaldson's. She is Gunnar's sister.

Several members went home to Manitoba this centennial year and enjoyed the Icelandic celebration which introduced beer gardens this year for the first time. Icelandic food, hardfish, Icelandic sweaters were for sale, and an enterprising Dane took advantage of the ready-made market and sold trolls and wooden shoes. Jonina and Grant

Eamon and Mary Lou enjoyed the celebration, as did the Thorvaldson family. Margaret and Roy Kolton were there and visited with both sets of parents, Mrs. John Arason of Husavik, and Mr. and Mrs. Metro Kolton of Gimli. Hulda Yelic and Mark travelled with the Kolton's and saw her brother, Niel Bjarnason, in Selkirk, and her grandmother in Betel. Lucille and Leif Oddson made the trek home. Bill and Tody Halldorson went to the celebration at Lundar, where there was a Lindal family reunion. Eleven of Today's brothers and sisters were there.

We were sorry to hear that Ila Henrickson spent some time in hospital in July. We do hope she's feeling better now.

Pauline and Alex Mitchell attended a wedding at Cowichan Lake. They picked up her mother, Bergros Paulsen, at Dawson Creek en route.

Charles Watson from Stonewall visited with the Jonsson's on his return journey from the coast. He is Clara's uncle.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Oswald from Manitoba visited with Jean and Barney Thorlakson.

A party at the home of Norm and Betty Smith was given by Mrs. Pauline Mitchell, Helen Halldorson and Lillian Sumarladason for Carol Anne Stephannson. The bride-to-be and her mother, Ida, were presented with corsages. Games preceded the

presentation of gifts, which were trundled in on a shopping cart disguised as a little red school house. Carol Anne was assisted with the gift opening by her future sister-in-law, Mrs. Elizabeth Lea. Dainties were served at the close of the party.

Olive Goodman and Jo Wetterberg have returned from their trip overseas and, after travelling together for six weeks, they're still friends! They spent a few days in Copenhagen before flying to Iceland where they spent 14 days. They had rooms in private homes, and enjoyed the wonderful hospitality.

They were welcomed royally, feted with sumptuous food, and presented with gifts upon leaving. They met Solveig Gudmundsdottir, the genealogical expert, who found relatives of Jo's for them to meet.

They also visited with nieces of Mrs. O. T. Johnson. Their sight-seeing included walks around Reykjavik, trips to Thingvellir, Geysir, Gullfos, Mivatn, where they saw the lava formations, Akureyri, where they toured and drove around the fjord, and Mount Hekla, which was still moving and glowing a bit.

After this grand tour of Iceland they returned to the British Isles where they spent a couple of weeks in London, took a jaunt up to Scotland and saw the Edinburgh Castle, visited with friends of Olive's in England, and still had three days left to spend in Copenhagen before returning to Edmonton.

The Ladies Auxiliary tell me that their **cookbook** is nearing completion. Look for it in the fall.

ICELANDIC HARDFISH NOW AVAILABLE

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It is generally eaten with butter and there is an old Icelandic song about it called "Hardfish og Smjer" (Dried Fish and Butter).

Want to try some? See the "Hardfish" ad on the same page.

WINNING CONTEST EXCITING



BY LINDA NELSON

As I'm only nineteen and have spent most of my time attending school I haven't a great number of thrilling experiences to report in this short biography. Running for Scandinavian Centre Queen is, in fact, one of my most exciting undertakings. I really enjoyed all parts of the competition including talking with the judges, meeting the other candidates and friendly Scandinavians. And I'm now looking forward to new acquaintances and chances to speak with people in general when present at various functions. I'll certainly try to attend as many of these social functions as I can. All of this will no doubt improve my ability to meet the public.

I have lived all my life on a farm in Namao with my parents, Jack and Mary Nelson. My congenial father hails from Osby, in that most famous province of Sweden, Skane. But had he not come to Edmonton to meet my good-natured mother I wouldn't be writing this now. I have heard so much about Sweden from both my father and mother and their Swedish friends that I hope someday I will be able to see for myself and learn all about

Swedish culture. I thoroughly enjoy travelling and I'd like to go to Sweden mainly to meet all my father's relatives that he speaks so highly of.

During my junior high school years I was a member of the C.G.I.T., 4-H Garden Club and the Namao Basketball Team, but I think I got the most pleasure from belonging to the Junior Vasa Club and participating in the various programs including Scandapades. Above all, however, those good ol' camp days at Pigeon Lake will always stand out in my memory of the Vasa Club.

After completing grade nine at Namao School, I attended Victoria Composite High School where I received my Senior Matriculation in 1968. I am now enrolled at the University of Alberta, Edmonton, in second year Education. When I receive my Bachelor of Education I may then proceed into the faculty of Library Science. Throughout my varsity and high school years I worked part time for the Hudson's Bay Company as a sales clerk. This summer, however, I worked full time for William Storchuk at Killarney Drugs 1962 Limited at 12913 - 97 St.

Working keeps me fairly busy so that I have not as much time as I would like in order to keep up my hobbies. Sewing is one of my most rewarding hobbies as I get a great deal of satisfaction from sewing something for myself. I also have pen pals in Japan, France and the U.S.S.R., but I am afraid my letter-writing has been suffering lately unfortunately. I feel that writing to pen pals in different countries is next best to visiting these countries in person.

If you wonder how I was chosen to represent Sweden in this recent Scandinavian Centre Queen contest it is because of our good neighbours and friends, Gertie and Bud Holmgren, who suggested my name to the Vasa Lodge. I really appreciate being given this opportunity for lots of fun and benefiting experiences.

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KNOW SCANDINAVIA BETTER

By MAURICE J. SAAD

What more natural destination for any honeymoon than the Fairytale Country itself, topped with the fun of wonderful Copenhagen?

Denmark has been a favorite of honeymooners not only from Canada and the United States but from all over Europe. Why? The reason is very simple: You'll find all the ingredients necessary — if you otherwise have found the right spouse: food, fun, fairytales, furs, fabrics, furniture . . .

The Copenhagen honeymooner's delight includes festive Danish breakfast delicacies in their hotel room, through entertaining afternoon drinks at delightful sidewalk cafes, to late, late night snacks at cosy little fun places.

The tours during the day are fascinating, whether they include visits to the world famous workshops of Copenhagen porcelain, or beautiful Danish silver, or to the sights of marvelous crown jewels and royal reception rooms. Or what about a romantic horsecab ride

through the 300 years old Deerpark with more than 1,000 deer?

And is any spot on earth more perfect for honeymoon-shopping than wonderful Copenhagen — packed with stunning Danish design to be treasured for a lifetime?

And is there a more attractive place anywhere to finish a day of fun than in Tivoli — Copenhagen's lovely fairytale garden filled with beautiful flowers, millions of lights, good music and restaurants to remember?

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Honeyymooners, however, should

not only enjoy wonderful Copenhagen and historic Elsinore, but they ought to jump into a car and drive along Denmark's green roads through the Fairytale Countryside. Many of Denmark's fairytale inns have special honeymoon-suites, and there is plenty of romance in the air whether you walk through the 1,000 year old streets of Ribe in Southern Jutland, or enjoy the buildings in Aarhus' world famous Old Town Open Air Museum, or for instance stop a few days at lively Aalborg in Northern Jutland, with excellent hotels, many good restaurants and walking streets for shopping — a perfect headquarter for tours to the fabulous beaches, to old country inns and historic landmarks.

One thing is characteristic for the honeymooners visiting Denmark from all parts of the world: They all want to come back to this Fairytale Country and they all agree that a honeymoon in Denmark helps you live happily ever after . . .

SURSTROMMING SMELLS

The day a ghastly smell almost knocks you down, you'll know that one of your neighbours is having a party. And the reason for the party is the cause of the smell.

The cause is small enough, being no more than a young Baltic herring. But how can it be so potent? Well, it's been salted and then fermented. So fermented that the flat, round tins in which it is sold commercially bulge out beyond all the known laws of the Food Act. And be careful, or rotting fish will explode all over you!

Once, this surstromming (as this process is called) was easy to avoid. You merely stayed clear of Northern Sweden. But of late, the little fermented Baltic Herring has been making its smelly presence felt in many parts of the country.

Wherever it's served, the trimmings are specifically northern: great wheels of thin crisp bread and quantities of goat cheese. For dessert, there's the hjorton, or cloud-berry. This fruit, which resembles a small raspberry but is a golden yellow and less succulent, has a

taste somewhat reminiscent of burnt caramel. It is a delicacy and fairly expensive. Topped with whipped cream, it can make up for a lot, but . . .

Of course, many Swedes affirm that the smell of surstromming no longer bothers them once the party's in full swing and they've caught the mood of the gay lanterns and colored lights. Notice, however, that the devotee not unusually braces himself with a good stiff drink of snaps before coming to close quarters with the main dish. Most painless is to grasp the fish by its tail and down it a la pelican, immediately followed by a large bite of bread. You only prolong the agony by dissecting it, as some people do, into small mouthfulls.

Three or four is a proud showing. If you try the northern custom of embedding the fish between two slices of thin bread, you may manage more. What you won't manage is to get rid of the smell, for it's stubbornly clinging. And the taste? Well, it improves in retrospect.

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NEW SWEDISH AMBASSADOR

The Swedish cabinet has officially announced the appointment of Olof Rydbeck, retiring head of the Swedish Broadcasting Company, as Sweden's new ambassador to the United Nations. He succeeds Sverker Aastroem, who will be Sweden's chief negotiator in talks with the European Common Market.

SOLGLYTSPOTLIGHT



BY REIDUN BERG

COMING EVENTS —

September 9th —

Norwegian Folk - Dancing for adults will begin again. If interested, contact Mrs. Clara Lineham at 455-8860.

September 12th —

"THE VIKING HERITAGE" film will be featured at Convocation Hall Cafeteria (Camrose Lutheran College) at 8 p.m. This film tells why the younger generation, descendants of the Norwegian pioneers, are becoming interested in the Norwegian heritage. Everyone interested in the Norwegian heritage is invited to come. Mr. Otto Von Rosen, Edmonton Manager of Scandinavian Airlines Systems Inc., will be on hand to show films on skiing, etc. Coffee with Norwegian delicacies will be served. There is no admission charge.

September 15th —

The Sons of Norway Bowling Teams will be starting. If interested in joining, contact Mr. Ed Veis at 476-7039.

September 19th —

Western Bar-B-Que and Dance, Viking Room, Scandinavian Centre.

September 26th —

Convocation Hall at the Camrose Lutheran College will be the scene of the institutional ceremonies on Saturday night. The host lodge will be Solglyt No. 143, Edmonton. They will provide the officers, who will initiate the new members and install the new officers. They will provide the ladies drill team that will add color to the ceremonies.

They will also provide the Folk Dancers for your entertainment. At the time of writing, the organizer, Sig Sorenson, reports a total membership of 150. Closing time for membership applications will be 7 p.m., Saturday, September 26.

October 7th —

Initiation of new members.

Bernard and Kay Olafson and family holidayed at Jasper and Banff.

Holger Hansen of Kitimat spent his holidays in Edmonton and district.

Peter and Joan Sawchuk and

family of Portland were visiting the McKeivitt's, Olafson's and Veis'. Joan is a sister of Betty, Kay and Elva.

Mr. and Mrs. Knut Svidal went to the Portland Convention on Aug. 12.

The Klondike dance which was held on July 18 was a great success. Carl Elstrand and his orchestra were playing. A wonderful meal was served. Winners of the prizes were: Mr. and Mrs. Peter Swanson, Mrs. Lois Halberg and Mr. Knut Svidal.

John and Astrid Hope visited Astrid's cousin, Myrtle Sadar, in Kamloops during their holiday. They took part in Kami 'Overlandes festivities, and Sons of Norway won first prize with their 30-foot-long Vikingship, dragonhead and all. Edmonton was represented by Klondike Mike and his donkey. After the parade the Hope's were invited to the Sons of Norway president's (Henry Christiansen's) garden beer party. On Aug. 1 Astrid had her cousin, Eli Strokkeland, visiting. She's a member of the "Canddal Pikekor", who are going on a tour through Canada and the U.S.A.

We are glad to hear that Fred Wibe is out of the hospital and back to work. His two brothers, Rolf and Thor, were visiting from Norway.

Mr. Emeth Clark would like to thank everybody for the fruit and "get well" wishes during his recent stay in hospital.

Sonja McBride and her grandmother, Martha Venoson, are back from their trip to Norway. They had a most enjoyable trip visiting friends and relatives in Oslo and Hadeland. They brought back a crown which was donated to the Lodge by the Sewing Club. This crown is to be used in crowning of the Sons of Norway Queen. Hopefully this crown will also be made available to members, or daughters of members, for use as a bridal crown.

The correspondent for next month will be Mrs. Grace Cook, phone No. 476-7210.

THEFT AFTERMATH OF VIKING STORM

Theft caused concern in Viking, 85 miles southeast of Edmonton, in the wake of the hailstorm which devastated the town and area July 11.

Lawn mowers were stolen, tools taken, and private garages ransacked at night, Viking Mayor Selmer Hafso said.

He said he suspects that most of the thievery was done by persons from outside the community.

The theft problem only manifested itself some weeks after the storm. There was no trouble for the first two or three weeks. Police are investigating.

Meanwhile, the town's recovery from the storm has been "a little slower than we thought," Mayor Hafso said. "Every day brings out a little more damage."

Mayor Hafso is the uncle of Stan Hafso, President of the Sons of Norway, Edmonton.

DID YOU KNOW?

In 1845, a Texas lawyer named Samuel Maverick got 400 head of cattle in exchange for a \$1,200 debt. The cattle were running free on an island in the Gulf of Mexico and were looked after by a Negro slave family. Few of the animals were ever branded and when the tide was low many of them waded across to the mainland. Branding strays was not considered stealing in those days and many a cowboy built up a herd by registering a brand and hunting unclaimed animals in the bush. They knew where most of these strays came from and so they called them mavericks.

Ambulance, Fire Engine Collide

A fire engine and an ambulance collided on their way to a house fire in Visby, Sweden, capitol of Gotland Island. Both drivers said they couldn't hear the other vehicle because their sirens were going full blast. By the time the problem was sorted out the house had burned down.

FINNISH SOCIETY

SFS

BY ANNE SAHURI

The annual Juhannuskokko was held at LacLaNonne, Willowbend beach. Many families gathered around the bon-fire and joined in singing the favorite summer songs. The biggest fish was caught by Tim Sahuri who received a little memento of the occasion. The food and coffee was prepared by Mrs. Utunen and Mrs. Ristola with many eager hands helping. The weather stayed nice throughout the picnic leaving many with painful sunburns.

Irja Kuusela and Marja Laine reported having a wonderful holiday visiting places from here to Vancouver, where they stayed with friends, then continued their trip into the U.S.A. and finally back home.

"Many thanks to the Finnish Society for flowers I received while in hospital recently." — Mary Karvonen.

The Finnish wrestlers were met at the airport by quite a few cars on June 30 and driven to the university campus area. Mr. and Mrs. Ristola showed the wrestlers around and helped in various ways. Many persons went to see the world amateur wrestling tournaments throughout the week.

Lovely Miss Iris Hagman represented the Finnish Society this year as one of the princesses in the annual Scandinavian Centre Queen contest, which was won this year by the Swedish princess. The crowning of the Queen took place at the Centre during the evening coffee party where the audience also had an opportunity to hear and see some singing and folk dancing. The guests included Mrs. Ikavalko, wife of the manager of the Finnish wrestling team.

A surprise birthday party was held on July 8 in honor of Mrs. H. M. Luoma. Many friends came to wish Happy Birthday to Mrs. Luoma who is very well known in the Finnish community. During the evening Miss Marja Laine gave a speech in honor of Mrs. Luoma as Mrs. Bertha Rama presented the gift on behalf of all the well wishers, and Mrs. Sirkka Ristola delivered the Happy Birthday wishes on behalf of the Finnish Society. Also during the evening the Finnish Society was honored as Mr. Ikavalko presented the society with a Finnish Wrestlers' Banner on behalf of all the wrestlers who also had been invited to Mrs. Luoma's party. All in all, everyone had a lovely time and the lunch was delicious as always.

Mrs. Sahuri, Tim and Dick went on a two-week-long tour of Grande Prairie, Dawson Creek and Chetwynd, B.C., along with Mr. Sahuri, whose job took him to Grande Prairie. They also visited Dr. and Mrs. W. Cumming and Mrs. Eva Ruuth in Dawson Creek, and Mr. and Mrs. P. Heinonen in Chetwynd where Miss Terttu Heinonen of Edmonton was visiting her aunt and uncle at the same time.

The above are the news items meant for last month's issue. They are printed now with apologies for the unavoidable delay.

A surprise birthday party was held on July 19 in honor of Mrs. Esther Kit on her special birthday. Many friends went over to wish Mrs. Kit a very Happy Birthday. During the evening Marja Laine delivered a speech in honor of

Esther who also was presented with gifts by Maria Utunen on behalf of many friends; and flowers were presented by Sirkka Ristola on behalf of the Finnish Society. Mr. Kit's song to his wife was very touching. To top the evening, a good cup of coffee and many delicious pastries were served.

The Finnish wrestling team was shown hospitality at Vesalainen's in Edmonton, Hurskainen's farm at Thorhild and Leino's summer cottage at Skeleton Lake, where they visited while in Edmonton.

Visiting recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Vesalainen were his niece from Finland and sister from Vancouver.

A surprise baby shower was held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Karvonen in honor of Mrs. Anneli Thurlin. The baby-to-be received many beautiful gifts. Mrs. Moisio and Mrs. Karvonen were the hostesses of the event.

Recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Rama were their grand-daughters, Laureen and Delia, from Calgary.

"My sincere thanks to all who helped in celebrating my birthday recently. Thank you for flowers, cards and gifts, and thanks to the Finnish Society for flowers. Special thanks to those who organized the evening and helped in the kitchen." — Esther Kit.

A surprise birthday party was held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Guichon in honor of Niilo Hurskainen on his 50th birthday. Mr. Hurskainen of Thorhild is also a well-known musician. Many friends took part in the celebration. During the evening Mr. Hurskainen was presented a gift by Mr. Henry Kuusela on behalf of all the well wishers. Lunch was delicious and fun was had by all.

"Many thanks to the hostesses of the recent surprise party and thanks to all of you for the lovely gifts for the baby." — Anneli Thurlin.



Father: I want you home by 11 tonight. Understand?
Daughter: Really, Daddy, I'm no longer a child, you know!
Father: I know. That's why I want you home by 11.

The executive was just buttoning up his coat after a physical examination. "Doctor, if there is anything wrong with me, don't try to hoodwink me by giving a long scientific name. Just tell me in plain English what's wrong with me."
"Well, to be perfectly frank, you are just plain lazy and need more exercise."

"Thank you, doctor. Now, please give me the scientific name, so I can tell the people at the office."

A businessman sent an overdue bill to his customer with the notation: "This bill is one year old today." The customer returned the bill with a note: "Happy Birthday."

All women's hats are different — milliners seldom make the same mistake twice.

If your wife wants to learn to drive, don't stand in her way.

MANCUSO'S HONORED

25th WEDDING

ANNIVERSARY

BY SELMA SORENSON

At the Scandinavian Centre on Saturday evening, July 11, Mrs. Mina MacDonald and family honored Vincent and Shirley Mancuso (nee MacDonald) of Los Angeles, Calif., on their 25th wedding anniversary. Vincent and Shirley were married in Edmonton and for a long time it has been Shirley's wish they celebrate their 25th anniversary at the Scandinavian Centre in Edmonton.

Following a short reception at 6 p.m. a delicious dinner was served to about 80 relatives and friends of the MacDonald family. Seated at the head table with Shirley and Vincent were their son, Danny, Mrs. Mina MacDonald, Donald MacDonald and Patricia Barber (Shirley's sister). Shirley looked lovely in a white pleated pant suit complemented by an orchid. The head table was centred by a three-tiered anniversary cake made and decorated by Mrs. Crystal Fleuty and Mrs. Gloria Runk.

Master of ceremonies for the evening was Mr. Angus MacDonald. He reminisced as he introduced several of the invited guests.

In charge of the guest book was Mrs. Mina MacDonald.

Mr. Bob Kelly, a wartime friend of Vincent, proposed the toast to the bride. Shirley and Vincent both ably responded.

DANIA DOINGS



BY VERA NIELSEN

Saturday, Sept. 19, from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. at the Nordic room will be our first dance of the season and we shall be calling it a Harvest Dance. We hope to see you all to start the season off right. Our Klondike Dance was not attended as well as other years — a lot of old faithfuls were on their holidays. The name drawn at the Klondike Dance was Mr. Svend Nielsen, University Farm, but he was not there so was not collected which means a draw for \$30 will be made at the September dance. Come and see! You could be the lucky one this time.

"BIKUBEN" will met Monday, Sept. 21, as usual. We hope many will turn up on this date as the ladies will have to be busy for our Home Baking Sale at the Bonnie Doon Mall on Oct. 26. We shall also have an Apron Sale at the same time.

Welcome back from vacation. Hope everyone had a good summer and is ready for the winter.

Remember to listen to the Scandinavian Hour Danish Program with Mr. Erik Pederson over CKUA on Sunday, Sept. 6 and 20. Tune in at 4:20 p.m. Sorry for the mistake in the August issue. This program is on every other Sunday, so please mark your calendar for the right Sunday to tune in.

On Sept. 18 Linda Hopewell and Bent Aaquist will be married at the Ansgar Danish Lutheran Church. Congratulations.

Congratulations also on the birth of a son to Pastor and Mrs. O. Filtenborg.

Marie and Kaj Iversen of 13422 - 109 Ave. celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary on July 23.



VINCENT AND SHIRLEY MANCUSO

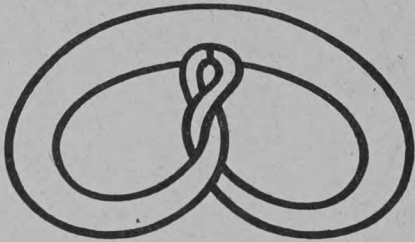
Mr. Sig Sorenson, Honorary President of the Scandinavian Centre, praised Mrs. MacDonald on her wonderful family and for the work she has done over the years for Sons of Norway and the Scandinavian Centre.

During the dance the guests were entertained by Miss Crystal Mina Fleuty and her twin sisters, Kirstin and Karen. Mrs. Crystal Fleuty also sang a solo.

The Jansen Orchestra from To-field, Alta., including Jim MacDonald, provided the music. They accompanied Mrs. Irene Hovde as she sang several Norwegian numbers, and Jim MacDonald as he sang western songs. Mrs. Mina MacDonald and Danny Mancuso joined the honored couple as they danced the anniversary waltz.

Many lovely and useful gifts were received.

Friends and relatives came from Calgary, Terrace, B.C., California, North Dakota, Loughheed and Edmonton.



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A JOURNEY TO REMEMBER

BY BETTY McKEVITT

It was with great excitement we left Edmonton International Airport recently on a flight for Vancouver to join our tour group for Japan and Hong Kong. We left Vancouver at 3 p.m. with a re-fueling stop at Anchorage, Alaska, crossing the International Date Line to arrive in Tokyo late the next afternoon. We did not experience any darkness during our complete flight of approximately eleven hours.

We were met at the airport by the travel representative who was to remain with us through part of the tour as our guide. We were then transferred to our western-style hotel.

The next morning we were taken on a sight-seeing tour of Tokyo, seeing places of interest such as the Marunouchi business section, Imperial Palace, National Diet (Parliament) Building, Olympic Stadium and swimming pool, Asakusa Amusement Centre and a Buddhist Temple. The afternoon was spent shopping at the Ginza (the main shopping area of Tokyo).

The following morning early we left by electric train for Nikko. The train trip took us through some of the farming areas — our first view of the small land holdings, rice paddies, some grain and vegetable fields. Upon arriving in Nikko we visited the Toshogu Shrine, the Yomeimon Gate and the three-monkey carving.

In the afternoon we took the Ironhazaka Highway with its 48 hairpin curves. We stopped to view Lake Chuzenji and Kegan Waterfalls. This is where many people from Tokyo have their summer homes. An additional point of interest was a stop at a farm home which had been used by members of the same family ancestors for several hundreds of years. We returned to Tokyo in the evening.

In the morning we toured Tokyo Tower, and in the evening we took a night club tour which included a Sukiyaki Dinner (traditional Japanese dinner) eaten with chop sticks and sitting on the floor, a Geisha Party, Golden Getsukai and a Kobuki Party.

The next morning we bade farewell to Tokyo and travelled by bus with a stop at Kamakura to see the Hachiman Shrine and Daibutsu (the Great Buddha) to arrive at Hakone, a scenic Hot Springs Resort 5,377 feet above sea level, and to stay in a traditional Japanese hotel complete with kimonos, slippers and tooth brushes.

From Hakone we travelled to Atami to board the Bullet Train for Nagoya where we visited Nagoya Castle, Noritake China Factory and Ando Cloisonne Factory. Later in the afternoon we continued by train to Kaskikojima to return the next morning to Toba, the centre of the pearl industry.

There we visited a modern pearl factory on Mikumoto Pearl Island and saw the complete process of pearl cultivation, including the operation of oysters and the diving girls. In the early afternoon we proceeded to Kyoto where we had a city tour, seeing Sanjusangendo Hall, Kujomizu Temple and Heian Shrine.

During the afternoon we went to Nara, which was the former capital of Japan, where we saw the world's largest bronze image of Buddha, the Kasuga Shrine with 3,000 stone lanterns which are lit for special festivals, and Deer Park where we fed rice crackers to the tame deer.

We returned to Kyoto to leave the following afternoon for Kobe, Japan's foremost trade port and gateway to the Inland Sea. Kobe is also the sister city of Seattle, Washington. In the city park there is a beautiful floral clock and a totem pole which was presented to them by the city of Seattle.

Departing the next morning from Kobe we travelled by luxury steamer through some of the most beautiful parts of the Inland Sea National Park to arrive at the old castle town of Takamatsu. The next morning we took a tour of the feudal castle, Retsurin Park, one of the finest examples of Japanese landscape gardening, to continue to Yashima table land from where a superb view of the Inland Sea can be seen.

In the afternoon six of us decided to go on a tour of our own to see the famous cave from the legend "The Peachboy and the Pirates", which was located high on the side of a hill on another island. Our guide assisted us in obtaining two taxis, as the taxis can only carry three or four passengers, and directed the taxi driver to take us to the pier to take the ferry to the island.

The ferry took us to the island and upon arriving we found the dock was being repaired and they were using a breaker for landing, made of rock and cement, which we had to crawl up. From there we took a bus and started up a very narrow winding road to the top of the hill and by this time it had started to rain. Part way up the hill we met a cow and the road was so narrow that we had to wait for her to move off.

A little further up, the bus driver indicated that he did not go any further but would be back in 45 minutes by pointing to his watch. The rest of the trip to the top of the hill was made on foot up about a thousand stone steps. A complete tour and full description of the cave was given.

After a short rest we started our return trip down the hill to the bus, back down the winding road, down the rock to the ferry and back

to our hotel. During this complete trip there was not a word of English spoken or anything in English to read.

Our guide looked quite relieved when we arrived back at the hotel in time for dinner, as they had not been too much in favor of us taking this adventure and we could certainly see why upon the return of our trip. It was an experience we shall never forget.

The next morning we left by ferry for Uno Station. At the dock before we left there was a large group gathered, complete with streamers, flowers, and auld lang syne to see a young lady off. On board we learned she was coming to Edmonton, Canada, and we had a very enjoyable visit with her. At Uno we transferred to an electric train for Okoyama with a nine-minute stop-over to change trains for Hiroshima.

Arriving in Hiroshima we were presented with a large arrangement of flowers on behalf of the mayor of the city. In Hiroshima we toured the Sacred Island of Miyajima and viewed Itsukushima "Floating Shrine" and the red torii gate that seemingly floats at high tide, the Peace Park Cenotaph Museum and the Dome of Peace. The city has been completely rebuilt since the disaster of the atomic bomb.

Leaving Hiroshima we travelled to Shina-Osaka to be transferred by motor coach to Osaka where we had three days to spend as we wished. We visited the Expo site for two days, visiting many of the pavilions, which we enjoyed very much. We were VIP at the Canadian Pavilion. We were given a complete personal tour. We did not have to stand in the long line ups.

The Canadian Pavilion is a beautiful pavilion and is a great favorite of the Expo goers and the Japanese people. We also enjoyed visiting the British Columbia Pavilion. While we waited in line there we visited with one of the Royal Canadian Mounted Policemen who is stationed there during the Expo year.

We enjoyed hearing of his experiences and about the different people he had met and seen at the Expo. Our last day was spent sight-seeing in Osaka and Japan. The next morning we departed by air on a four-hour trip to Hong Kong with a stop-over in Taiwan. Taiwan and Hong Kong were both very hot and humid countries.

In Hong Kong we toured the island of Hong Kong, took a tram ride up the peak for a panoramic view of the city, visited Tiger Balm Gardens and along the mountain road to Repulse Bay, continued to Aberdeen to see the Water Folk and have lunch at the famous Floating Restaurant.

The following day we saw Kowloon, and the New Territories. This was a scenic drive along the beaches to the walled village of Kam Tin. From Lok Ma Chow police post you can view the panoramic view across the valley to the Bamboo Curtain and the border of mainland China.

We returned via Shatin Heights and Amah Rock. The balance of the day was spent shopping and preparing for our trip home.

Leaving Sunday morning from Hong Kong we crossed the International Date Line, stopped over in Tokyo and Anchorage and arrived at Vancouver at 1:00 p.m. Sunday to learn we had missed our connecting flight to Edmonton.

However, with the co-operation of the airline personnel, we were able to board a flight at 6:30 p.m. that evening to arrive home a little tired but more than pleased we had made the trip.

It was an experience that will long be remembered.

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NORWEGIAN PROGRAM
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Olaf Sveen:
Today we are going to talk about what the Vikings are most famous for: "Their Movement West." Dr. Bourassa is again here and my daughter, Ingrid, will ask him some questions about this.

Ingrid:
Where were the places the Vikings went?

Dr. Bourassa:
All right. Let's try to map out some of the voyages they made. In part, the directions the Vikings went depended on the geographical relation of their home country to the rest of Europe. As you know, Sweden is directly across the Baltic from Russia, and they tended to explore in that direction. That is, to their east. On an earlier program we talked about this East-Viking territory and told how the Norse founded some of the principal cities in Russia and established trade routes with the Byzantine and Islamic empires. They temporarily ruled a large area of Russia and some Norse probably settled in Russia. Of course the Swedes went elsewhere as well, and other Scandinavian countries also contributed men to East-Viking. In fact, we mentioned that the Byzantine emperor's special guard was largely composed of Scandinavians and these men came from all the Scandinavian countries.

Ingrid:
What about Denmark?

Dr. Bourassa:
Denmark is at the bottom of the Scandinavian peninsula and physically attached to Europe. Therefore the Danes had a great interest in what are now France and Germany. At first, to defend themselves from Charlemagne and later as his empire disintegrated, they moved in themselves. Also, as the Danes traveled down the coast of Europe, they needed to go only slightly to the west to reach England. They established large settlements in northeast England and also across the English Channel in what we now call Normandy.

I'll say a little more about this later, but the name, Normandy, is derived directly from its settlement by the Northman. Voyages were also made past France and further down the coast of Spain, Italy and Sicily. Some settlements were made in Italy and Sicily. Again I should emphasize that not just Danes went in this direction but generally the Danes were more likely to have gone this way.

Ingrid:
That brings us to the Norwegian.

Dr. Bourassa:
Yes, as this is the Norwegian program, we will give them credit for some of the longest and most difficult voyages. I suppose the Swedes and Danes might not agree completely. Norway faces to the west. Sailing out from the Norwegian coast one meets several island groups. The first are the Shetlands. Settlements were established here. So if one goes downward, to the south, the Orkney Islands are encountered and then the northern top of England, that is Scotland, which proved somewhat inhospitable to the Vikings. The Norwegians then continued around the west coast of England to reach Ireland. Large settlements were made in Ireland, and from these, attempts were made to establish settlements in the northwest of England.

So one route for the Norwegians was west to the Shetland Islands and then southwest to Ireland and England. However, if instead of going south from the Shetlands, they continued to bear west and slightly north, the Faeroe Islands are reached. From there, more sailing in a

northwest direction brings them to Iceland. We will have more to say about Iceland later but it's very important both because it became a kind of cultural centre which preserved for us much of what is known about Viking times, and also because it provided a base for further exploration. From Iceland, if we go west, we can reach Greenland where again settlements were established. And finally, by continuing westward and southward from Greenland, North America is reached. Vikings probably landed at Newfoundland and at points further south along the North American continent. This was about 1000 A.D. — long before Columbus discovered America.

Ingrid:
Did the Vikings settle in North America?

Dr. Bourassa:
Yes, they did. But their stay was only a few years. I think we will spend more time talking about this on a later program. For now, I would like to talk about the general features of the Norse expansion during Viking times.

Ingrid:
All right. Maybe you can tell me why the Vikings started on these expeditions.

Dr. Bourassa:
That's a good question. The Viking movement begins toward the end of the 8th century, but for almost a thousand years prior to this, there had been movements of peoples out of Scandinavia. Two hundred years before Christ, the Teutons and Cimbri had gone south from Jutland. The Goths, Langobards, Burgundians and Vandals were all originally from Scandinavia. So in some ways the question might be: "What halted this movement in the seventh century." The answer, however, is far from clear, so I'll get back to your question about what led to the renewed Viking expansion toward the end of the 8th century. Several factors probably combined to cause an increased interest in foreign expansion. One of the early English writers felt that the Viking raids were God's instrument of wrath let loose upon the people because of their sins. I think we can reject this theory although it does tell us something about the way Europe felt about the Norse visitors. It seems likely that Scandinavia suffered from recurrent overpopulation and land shortage. The people of Scandinavia seem to be a hardy group and to have numerous offspring. We have already mentioned that men might have more than one wife and this would certainly contribute to over population. As you know, good farm land is difficult to obtain, and much of the cultivated land is not really too good. The weather can become harsh and a few crop failures, or loss of animals, can be disastrous.

We also mentioned on another program the Odal laws in which only the eldest son would receive the family farm. This meant the

other sons must seek new land. And we also discussed the importance to the Norse of owning their land. These factors must have contributed to a continuing search for new land.

There are other factors which also help account for the Viking activity. We know that in early Viking times there were efforts made to establish large scale kingdoms in Scandinavia. These efforts were accompanied by warfare, of course, and many people, especially the losers in these battles, would have little safety inside the country and were therefore likely to seek new land elsewhere, outside the grip of the new kings.

Another factor which was essential in the Viking movement is, of course, the famous Viking ship. We won't take time to describe them in detail but they were the product of long years of evolution and resulted in Viking ships which were better than anything else afloat at the time. These boats were probably about 80 feet or more long, and about 17½ feet wide. The draft was probably no greater than about 3½ feet which meant the ship could sail even in very shallow rivers and therefore penetrate far inland. Other sorts of vessels were available for trading missions.

Some of these ships have been preserved and are displayed in the museum at Oslo. Several replicas of the long-ships have been built and successfully sailed across the Atlantic. For example, Magnus Andersen sailed from Bergen to Newfoundland in 1893. In 1932 a trading ship crossed the Atlantic and returned to Norway by way of Newfoundland, and in 1949 a ship was sailed from Denmark to Ramsgate, in England, to commemorate the 1500th anniversary of an earlier landing. All the captains reported quite favorably on the ships.

The story is told that during the Second World War some German officers, viewing a Viking ship, remarked that it was rather crude, to which the guide replied that at least that ship had reached England.

I might also mention that Norsemen were good navigators and once one of them had reached a particular place he could give sailing instructions to others which would allow them to repeat his voyage. So the pressure for expansion was there and the means for travel were available.

Another factor in the Viking movement was that most of Europe was in shambles and without strong leaders. As I mentioned in the program on East-Viking the Norse were willing to trade and some of their activity in Viking times consisted of peaceful trading. But when they found that many of the areas they visited were unprotected it was natural for the Norse to simply take what they wanted. This seems to be the picture many people have of the Vikings, that is, raiders and pirates. To a certain extent this is true but many of them did settle on conquered lands and eventually became citizens of the country.

Of course Iceland is a prime example of a Norse colony which

was set up in an uninhabited land and which managed to survive. In fact some of the greatest literature and poetry of all times came from this area. I think our time is up for now. In later programs we can talk in more detail about West-Viking.

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BUFORD NEWS

BY AVIS PEARSON

Miss Christine Holmgren from Bjorka, Sweden, spent a few days visiting friends and relatives in the district.

Clare and Alice Evanson have returned from their holiday at the west coast.

Karen Pearson, accompanied by her sister, Denise, flew to Yorkton, Sask., to spend a week with her cousins, John and Martha God-don.

The heavy rains stopped soon enough so we were able to hold our annual wiener roast and social evening at Markstedts Grove. It was very well attended and enjoyed by our own members and visiting guests from Nordstjarnan Lodge.

Fred and Mavis Hamilton and family spent the long week end at Radium and Fairmont Hot Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rylander have returned home from a six weeks holiday in Sweden.

Alf and Helga Hoyem motored to Lethbridge to visit their son, Eldon, and family.

The weather was perfect for our first attempt at a Sunday picnic. The day started with a "pot luck" dinner and was followed by ball games and horseshoes. Many members from Nordstjarnan Lodge drove over to make it an entertaining day.

Betty Hanson and her son, Harry, flew to Toronto for a short vacation.

News From The Danish Church

SUMMER CAMP AT SYLVAN LAKE

For the fourth time, the Danish congregations in Edmonton and Calgary had summer camp for children at Sylvan Lake. Seventy-five children from most of Alberta were gathered there for a week of swimming, playing, singing, running, screaming, jumping and laughing. There were children from south of Calgary to St. Albert. There were children from Olds and Ponoka and many other places, most of them of Danish origin. Many a friendship was made, many a habit was changed, and many an advantage will be remembered for years. Thanks to all the counsellors and the kitchen staff for their help and work. None was paid.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation classes will begin Saturday, Sept. 12, at 9:30 a.m., in the church basement. Registration can be done over the telephone to Pastor Filtenborg, phone 469-6123, or in connection with the services. The children should bring their baptism certificate at the first lesson. The lessons will be every Saturday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., and the children should also come to the English services. Confirmation will be on the first Sunday in June, 1971.

FALL BAZAAR

A Fall bazaar sponsored by the Danish Lutheran Young Women's Club will be held in the church basement, 9554 - 108A Ave., Friday, Sept. 25, at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are being sold by members of the club and the pastor for 25 cents each or 5 for \$1.00. First prize is

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JULY 21 at J.P. Bowl

Dania played against Kickers. After 20 minutes of play Kickers came ahead 1-0 in the first half.

In the second half Kickers scored another goal after 20 minutes of play, and in the last 10 minutes scored two more goals. Kickers won the game 4-0.

It should be noted that several of Dania's players were on holidays. Although Dania had a few opportunities to score they failed to do so.

July 30 at Coronation Park

Dania played Yugostar. Yugostar scored one goal after 15 minutes of play and shortly after Jens Knudsen made it even. Dania got a penalty kick but failed to score.

In the second half Yugostar scored one goal. Dania had a good deal of play, and the defence played real well, while in the last ten minutes both teams scored a goal each. Dania's goal was scored by Ron Peal. Final score: Yugostar 3 - Dania 2.

August 12 at Kinsmen Park

Dania played Universe Soccer Club. Dania was short handed due to many players on holidays, but Erling Hansen scored for Dania after 15 minutes. Dania had most of the play and 20 minutes later Lorne Haizimque scored Dania's second goal.

In the second half Dania scored one more goal leading Universe 3-0, this being scored by Peter Jensen. A little later in the half Dania made an accidental penalty where Universe scored. Later in the half Dania's strong right fullback, Bent Leth, was injured. Universe scored another goal. Final score: Dania 3 - Universe 2.

CLAY PIGEON SHOOT

On August 8 Freja Handball Club and Dania Soccer Club had the third clay pigeon shoot of the season. It was held at Ken Clark's farm on Hwy. 15, northeast on the Fort Road on the way to Fort Saskatchewan. Many people came to enjoy themselves.

The winner of the 4.5 mm air pistol event, which was undeter-

a hand-embroidered "Klokkestreng" - very, very beautiful. The second prize is a jacket (value \$25.00). Come and join us that night. All are welcome.

BAPTISMS DURING THE SUMMER

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Chris Christensen of Sherwood Park. Previously he had a farm in Uncas. He was 87 years old. He emigrated to the U.S. in 1900 and later went to Saskatchewan and from there to Alberta. Chris had planned to go to Denmark this summer with Dania's charter flight, but became sick about a month before the departure. Mr. Christensen was single, and his nearest relative in Canada is Kris Kristensen of Leduc. Aere vaere hans minde.

mined from July 4 between Aage Mortensen and Knud Svendgaard, was won by Knud Svendgaard with Aage Mortensen becoming second.

Many persons participated in the clay pigeon event and some fine shooting was seen. In the final competition, Eric Christensen, Fleming Andersen and Domrad Hansen were competing. The first prize was won by Eric Christensen. Fleming Andersen won the second prize. Komrad Hansen was third.

We hope for a good time on Sunday, Sept. 13, at 1:00 p.m. at Ken Clark's farm. Please note that this will be the fourth and final shooting of the year. It would be appreciated if those having .22 rifles would bring them.

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